Welfare Reform and Work Bill

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After Clause 4

THE EARL OF LISTOWEL
THE LORD BISHOP OF DURHAM
BARONESS SHERLOCK

Insert the following new Clause—

“Child poverty: reporting obligation

(1) The Secretary of State must lay before each House of Parliament an annual report on child poverty.

(2) The report must include information on the percentage of children living in households where—

(a) equivalised net income for the financial year is less than 60% of median equivalised net household income for the most recent financial year;

(b) equivalised net income for the financial year is less than 70% of median equivalised net household income for the most recent financial year, and which experience material deprivation;

(c) equivalised net income for the financial year is less than 60% of median equivalised net household income for the financial year beginning 1 April 2010, adjusted in a prescribed manner to take account of changes in the value of money since that year; and

(d) equivalised net income has been less than 60% of median equivalised net household income in at least 3 of the survey years.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (2)(d), the survey years are the calendar years that ends in the financial year addressed in subsection (2)(a) and (b), and the 3 preceding calendar years.”

Clause 7

BARONESS PITKEATHLEY

Page 9, leave out lines 5 and 6
Clause 7—continued

LORD FREUD

Page 9, line 41, at end insert—
“(b) in subsection (4), omit “other”.”

Clause 8

LORD FREUD

Page 11, line 21, leave out from “subsection” to “may” in line 23 and insert “(4)
insert—
“(4A) A statutory instrument containing regulations under section 96A”
Page 11, line 26, leave out subsection (6)

Clause 11

THE LORD BISHOP OF PORTSMOUTH
THE LORD BISHOP OF DURHAM
BARONESS SHERLOCK

Page 13, line 12, at end insert “, or
(c) an exception applies under section 10(4A) of the Welfare Reform Act 2012, as inserted by section 12 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016”

Clause 12

THE LORD BISHOP OF PORTSMOUTH
THE LORD BISHOP OF DURHAM
BARONESS SHERLOCK

Page 13, line 19, leave out “(4)” and insert “(4A)”
Page 13, line 21, leave out “But” and insert “Provided that no exception under subsection (4A) applies,”
Page 13, line 27, at end insert—
“(4A) After subsection (4) insert—
“(4A) For the purposes of subsection (1A), and of section 9(3A) and (3B) of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (maximum rate of child tax credit), an exception applies if—
(a) the claimant responsible for children in the household is a single claimant as a result of being bereaved of their partner,
(b) the claimant has fled their previous partner as a result of domestic abuse,
(c) the child or qualifying young person has a disability,
(d) the child or qualifying young person is in the household as a result of a kinship care arrangement, private fostering arrangement, or adoption, or
Clause 12—continued

(e) the claimant was previously entitled to an award for the child or qualifying young person and has re-partnered creating a household with more than two children.”

Clause 14

LORD LOW OF DALSTON
BARONESS SHERLOCK
BARONESS MEACHER
BARONESS MANZOOR

Leave out Clause 14

Clause 18

LORD FREUD

Page 17, line 36, at end insert—

“(a) in subsection (3) (meaning of “relevant benefit”), after paragraph (bb) insert—

“(bc) a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016;”;

(b) in subsection (4) (meaning of “relevant enactment”), for “or section 30 of that Act” substitute “, section 30 of that Act or sections 16 to 19 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016”.

Page 17, line 36, at end insert—

“(a) in subsection (5)—

(ao) sections 16, 17 and 19 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016;

(b) in the definition of “the relevant Northern Ireland enactments”, after paragraph (an) insert—

“(ao) any provisions in Northern Ireland which correspond to sections 16, 17 and 19 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016;”.”

Clause 12—continued
Clause 18—continued

( ) In section 11 of the Social Security Act 1998 (regulations with respect to decisions), in subsection (3), in the definition of “the current legislation”, for “and section 30 of that Act” substitute “; section 30 of that Act and sections 16 to 19 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016”.

( ) In section 28 of the Social Security Act 1998 (correction of errors and setting aside of decisions), in subsection (3)—
(a) omit the “or” after paragraph (i);
(b) after paragraph (j) insert “; or
(k) sections 16 to 19 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016.”

( ) In section 39 of the Social Security Act 1998 (interpretation etc of Chapter 2 of Part 1), after subsection (1) insert—
“(1A) In this Chapter—
(a) a reference to a benefit includes a reference to a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016;
(b) a reference to a claim for a benefit includes a reference to an application for a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016;
(c) a reference to a claimant includes a reference to an applicant for a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 or, in relation to a couple jointly applying for a loan under that section, a reference to the couple or either member of the couple;
(d) a reference to an award of a benefit to a person includes a reference to a decision that a person is eligible for a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016;
(e) a reference to entitlement to a benefit includes a reference to eligibility for a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016.”

Page 17, line 41, at end insert—
“( ) In section 131 of the Welfare Reform Act 2012 (information-sharing in relation to welfare services etc), in subsection (12), in the definition of “relevant social security benefit” for the words from “has” to the end substitute “means—
(a) a relevant social security benefit as defined in section 121DA(7) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992, or
(b) a loan under section 16 of the Welfare Reform and Work Act 2016 (loans for mortgage interest etc);”.”

In the Title

LORD FREUD

Line 5, after “interest” insert “and other liabilities”
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